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Member Engagement Committee

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Education Opportunities Abound

The first quarter of 2025 promises to be an educational one! Members-Only Monthly Forums are available on the SCHC.org/Meetings page, CHCS expanded their course catalog, and SCHC is offering the Multi-Modal Dangerous Goods Refresher course this March. Registration for the Multi-Modal course is

open and there is a significant savings via discount codes available for SCHC and CHCS Members



Development, Program, Speakers Bureau, and Forum pages to learn more.

News from OSHA

- Adjusted OSHA Civil Penalty Amounts for 2025
- New Deputy Assistant Secretary and New NACOSH Members
- 2024 Injury and Illness Data Due March 2

Mark Your Calendar

NEW February 26, 2025 - SCHC Forum: Updates on Latin America NEW March 5-6, 2025 - CHCS Distance Learning: Overview Of The Biocidal Products Regulation

NEW March 11, 2025 - SCHC Distance Learning: Multi-Modal Dangerous Good Refresher

NEW March 26, 2025 - SCHC Forum: All Your Transport Questions Answered

NEW April 1-2, 2025 - CHCS Distance Learning: Cosmetics Regulation

NEW April 23, 2025 - SCHC Forum: EU/UK Updates

Find Member Discount Codes under the SCHC.org menu's Resources tab

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SCHC New Contact Information

Call for Forum Volunteers and Ideas

Take a Quick Social Events Survey

SCHC New Contact Information

SCHC has a new mailing address and fax number. Our phone number has not changed.

P.O. Box 518 Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

Fax: 856-727-9504

Also, please update your trusted email contact list to send/receive emails to/from schc-admin@schc.org as our primary email contact. Lori Chaplin is celebrating her retirement and our new administrative team will happily respond to your inquiries.

Call for Forum Volunteers and Ideas

The SCHC Member Engagement Committee is considering



hosting a "Practical SDS
Authoring" round table
discussion about SDS software
experiences, tips and so forth.
For the online experience, the
Committee is seeking four to
five volunteers to serve as
hosts of a virtual table. If
interested in volunteering,

please contact Member_Engagement@schc.org.

Member Engagement is also seeking ideas and hosts for 2025 Members-Only Monthly Forums. Showcase your expertise or pose questions you'd like answers to all while networking with your fellow SCHC Members.

Take a Quick Social Events Survey!

SCHC Committees participate year-round in preparing, hosting and improving our Annual Meeting. We need your feedback about the social events for the upcoming Annual Meeting. What were some of your favorite things? What needs improvement? As we return to the DC area for the 2025 Annual Meeting in September, is there anything you'd particularly like to do or see?

Take the Survey— Share Your Feedback

SCHC Call for Mentors

Call for Mentors

Submitted by Darcy Evans

As part of our commitment to education and member success,

SCHC is conducting a pilot mentoring program with a small group format.

Organizers are seeking volunteers to serve as the initial mentors for the small group pilot.

Ideal Candidates: Active Members who have more than 5 years of professional experience in the topic area covered.



Based on member feedback there is interest in mentoring that covers these topics –

- Professional Development (Leadership & Career mapping)
- * Assessments -
 - Regulatory (ex: prop65)
 - Risk/Exposure
- * Trade secrets
- * SDS Authoring / software / resources
- * Supply chain practices
- Industry practices (ex: pharma)
- * Sustainability
- Ecological Toxicity
- Control banding

How you can participate: Sign up to become a mentor for the pilot program! Two to three volunteer mentors are needed for this 2025 initiative. Remember mentoring is only at the pilot stage so this is starting small.

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SCHC Call for Mentors (continued)

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Mentor's responsibilities for the pilot:

- Have sufficient professional experience in the topic area covered.
- Commitment: 6-month pilot
- Help shape what their topic reviews/discusses
- Mentors will define scope and recommend materials/ reading to mentees for each session in advance.
- Host/lead a minimum of four 30-to-45-minute meetings during the pilot period with a maximum of 5 mentees in the group (subject to scheduling availability).
- Provide ongoing feedback to the Ad hoc committee regarding participant engagement.

Interested in volunteering or want more information about participating in this exciting pilot for SCHC? Contact the Committee Chair – darcy.evans@hexion.com before February 15.

Interested in participating in the first small group mentorship circle as a mentee? Stay tuned – a call for members to join the small groups as mentees will go out soon.

Did you know that SCHC is a 100% volunteer-driven organization? Our members grow their skills and provide an invaluable service when they volunteer on a Committee and/or during an event. If you'd like to explore volunteering, reach out to the Committee Chairs. Committees and Chair email contacts can be found under the About Us tab on schc.org.

Want to recognize a volunteer for their hard work? Award recognition is accepted year round and acknowledged during the Annual Meeting. Learn more at schoolglawards.

SCHC CHCS Newsletter

SCHC- CHCS Allliance

New to SCHC? SCHC has an alliance agreement with UK's Chemical Hazards Communication Society (CHCS). We share valuable information to benefit our members and



frequently provide discounts for trainings and low-cost/free event access. Learn more about the Alliance, and benefits like access to the CHCS Newsletter on schc.org/CHCS. **Member Tip:** Under the SCHC.org Resources tab, you can find Discount Codes for events and trainings. Be sure to log-in and obtain the code before registering for CHCS opportunities.

CHCS Newsletter

SCHC Members can view the latest CHCS newsletter by logging into SCHC.org, visiting the <u>schc.org/CHCS</u> page, and scrolling to the newsletter section. Members must be logged in to access this benefit.

January Edition

- Forty chemicals added to Annex 1 of the Prior Informed Consent regulation
- Annual report PIC: Benzene dominate: exports and imports of hazardous chemicals
- Six chemicals added to the Candidate List
- Draft Community Rolling Action Plan update for 2025-2027
- American Chamber of Commerce publishes position paper on EU REACH revision
- Sweden Submits position outlining key issues for the targeted revision of REACH
- The European Commission adopts regulation prohibiting the use of Bisphenol A in food contact materials
- United States: EPA adds nine PFAS to Toxic Release Inventory
- Turkey updates product safety regulations for imports
- CHCS Webinars & Events
- Training Courses & Workshops
- News from Our Partners

REGULATORY CA Prop 65: Clear and Reasonable Warnings, Vinyl Acetate & Additional Updates

CA Prop 65: Clear and Reasonable Warnings, Vinyl Acetate, & Additional Updates

The California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) issued the following notices:

Safe Harbor Methods and Content: In early December, Title 27 was amended to make the Proposition 65 short-form warning more informative to consumers. This regulatory action will make the Proposition 65 short-form warning more informative to consumers by adding at least one chemical name and providing additional warning options for businesses to select from. The regulations provide businesses that currently rely on the existing short-form warnings three years to transition to the new short-form content, make explicit that short-form warnings may be used to provide safe harbor warnings for food products, provide a 60-day transition period, during the three-year implementation period for retailers to update online short-form warnings after notice from a manufacturer, and provide new tailored safe harbor warnings for passenger or off-highway motor vehicle parts and recreational marine vessel parts.

<u>Vinyl Acetate added to the Prop 65 List for Cancer</u>: Effective January 3, 2025, the substance has been listed as a carcinogen.

Overview of the 2024 Meeting of the Developmental and Reproductive Toxicant Identification Committee (DARTIC): On December 12, the Developmental and Reproductive Toxicant Identification Committee (DARTIC) voted in favor of listing bisphenol-S as a reproductive toxicant (male reproductive endpoint) under Proposition 65 by a vote of 9 (yes) to 0 (no). A recording of the full meeting and transcript will be posted online when available.

Request for Relevant Information on the Carcinogenicity for N-Methyl-N-Formylhydrazine. The Carcinogen Identification Committee is reviewing the substance for possible listing under Prop 65.

EPA Adds Nine PFAS to TRI

EPA Updates Guide to Help Translate Pesticide Safety Labels into Spanish

EPA Adds Nine PFAS to TRI

Earlier this month, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced the automatic addition of nine per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances to the list of chemicals covered by the Toxics Release Inventory. See recently added PFAS here.

These nine PFAS are:

- Ammonium perfluorodecanoate (PFDA NH4) (3108-42-7)
- Sodium perfluorodecanoate (PFDA-Na) (3830-45-3)
- Perfluoro-3-methoxypropanoic acid (377-73-1)
- 6:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonate acid (27619-97-2)
- 6:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonate anion (425670-75-3)
- 6:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonate potassium salt (59587-38-1)
- 6:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonate ammonium salt (59587-39-2)
- 6:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonate sodium salt (27619-94-9)
- Acetic acid, [(γ-ω-perfluoro-C8-10-alkyl)thio] derivs., Bu esters (3030471-22-5).

As of January 1, facilities that are subject to reporting requirements for these chemicals should begin tracking their activities involving these PFAS as required by Section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act. Reporting forms are due by July 1, 2026.

EPA Updates Guide to Help Translate Pesticide Safety Labels into Spanish

EPA <u>announced</u> that a new guide is now available to assist with Pesticide Safety Labels into Spanish. The <u>EPA Bilingual</u> <u>Pesticide Labeling Page</u> lists resources and deadlines.

<u>View the announcement regarding tracking the adoption of bilingual pesticide labels.</u> The agency intends to begin tracking the labels with the issuance of the Maintenance Fee Forms to all of the pesticide registrants in the fall of 2025.

EPA Updates

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EPA also announced the following points during December 2024 and January 2025:

EPA Releases Compliance Guides for PCE Risk Management:

EPA announced guides on the use of perchloroethylene (PCE) for dry cleaning and energized electrical cleaning to help users and others comply with new regulations under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). In December 2024, EPA finalized a regulation for perchloroethylene (PCE), a chemical known to cause liver, kidney, brain and testicular cancer, as well as damage to the kidney, liver, and immune system, neurotoxicity, and reproductive toxicity. The final rule will better protect people from these risks by banning manufacture, processing, and distribution in commerce of PCE for all consumer uses and many commercial uses, while allowing some workplace uses to continue only where robust workplace controls can be implemented.

EPA Begins Five Chemical Risk Evaluations Under Toxic Substances Control Act, Starts Process for the Next Five Chemicals On December 13, 2024, EPA began the prioritization process for acetaldehyde, acrylonitrile, benzenamine, 4,4'-methylene bis(2-chloroaniline) (MBOCA) and vinyl chloride in the December 2023 announcement. In the coming weeks, EPA will also release for public comment preliminary lists of manufacturers (including importers) subject to fees for the five chemicals designated as HPS under TSCA. The preliminary lists will soon be available in the docket EPA-HQ-OPPT-2024-0501 at the Regulations.gov page. EPA will accept public comments on these chemicals for 90 days after publication at the Regulations page under docket EPA-HQ-OPPT-2023-0601.

The next five will be benzene, ethylbenzene, naphthalene, styrene, and 4-tert-octylphenol. View the Prioritization Process and review the 90 comment period for this set of substances here.

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<u>EPA Finalizes TSCA Risk Evaluation for Formaldehyde</u> EPA has determined that formaldehyde presents an unreasonable risk of injury to human health, specifically to workers and consumers, under its conditions of use (COUs).

Formaldehyde is found nearly everywhere. People and animals produce and release formaldehyde. Formaldehyde is produced when organic material including leaves, plants, and woodchips decay. Formaldehyde is also produced and released into the air when things burn, such as when cars emit exhaust, when furnaces and stoves operate, and through forest fires, burning candles, and smoking. Finally, formaldehyde is used to make many consumer products and articles including textiles, foam bedding/seating, semiconductors, resins, glues, composite wood products, paints, coatings, plastics, rubber, resins, construction materials (including roofing), furniture, toys, and various adhesives and sealants. Over time, formaldehyde may be released from these products and people may inhale it.

EPA will next begin the risk management process to address the unreasonable risk presented by formaldehyde. EPA will propose a rule under TSCA section 6 to protect workers and consumers from the identified risks.

Diisodecyl Phthalate (DIDP); Risk Evaluation Under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) EPA has determined that DIDP presents an unreasonable risk of injury to human health under the conditions of use. EPA did not identify risk of injury to the environment that would contribute to the unreasonable risk determination for DIDP. EPA has determined that the unreasonable risk to human health presented by DIDP is due to non-cancer effects (i.e., reduced offspring survival) in female workers of reproductive age from acute inhalation exposures and acute aggregated exposures.

Asbestos Part 2 Risk Evaluation under TSCA: Supplemental and legacy uses were evaluated and found to pose unreasonable health risks.

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Biden-Harris Administration Proposes Rule to Protect Workers from Exposure to C.I. Pigment Violet 29 PV29 is a pigment manufactured as a powder, slurry or paste that can be used for a variety of commercial and consumer applications. It is used to

create other pigments, watercolors and acrylic paints, merchant ink for commercial printing, and as a dye for paints, coatings, basecoats, plastics and rubber products, some of which are used by the automobile industry and for producing industrial carpeting.

EPA's 2021 risk evaluation for PV29 concluded that it



presents an unreasonable risk of injury to health under its conditions of use. Based on the risk evaluation, PV29 can cause lung toxicity effects that can make it harder for lungs to provide oxygen to the body. EPA will accept public comments on the proposed rule for PV29 for 45 days following publication in the Federal Register via docket EPA-HQ-OPPT-2021-0277.

EPA Releases Draft Risk Assessment to Advance Scientific Understanding of PFOA and PFOS in Biosolids. PFOA and PFOS get into sewage sludge via the wastewater that enters municipal wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs), which do not intentionally use or add these substances in their treatment processes. WWTPs may receive PFOA or PFOS from manufacturers and other facilities that currently use, or historically have used, these PFAS and release contaminated wastewater to WWTPs. Households and businesses can also be sources, as PFAS from consumer products (e.g., cookware, clothing or cosmetics that may contain certain PFAS) are washed down drains and make their way to a WWTP.

ECHA: 40 Hazardous Chemicals Added to PIC

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ECHA <u>announced</u> the latest 40 chemicals added to the Annex I of PIC include 35 pesticides and five used as industrial chemicals. These include, for example, abamectin, difenacoum, fenpropimorph, dimethomorp, triadimenol and penflufen.

A chemical's inclusion in Annex I means that companies need to make an export notification to ECHA before starting their exports (chemicals in part 1 of Annex I). Most of the newly added substances (38) also need an explicit consent from importing countries before the export can take place, as they are included both in part 1 and 2 of Annex I.

The status of two substances, cyanamide and warfarin, already listed in Annex I, have been updated. Once the amendment enters into force, their exports will need an explicit consent in addition to export notification.

A subgroup of PFAS, perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (PFHxS), its salts and PFHxS-related compounds, have been added to Annex V of PIC which contains chemicals with an export ban. This update follows the listing of the group as persistent organic pollutant in the Stockholm convention.

ECHA's IT tool ePIC has been updated to reflect these changes and companies can now notify their exports of these chemicals.

What is ePIC?

<u>ePIC</u> is the IT tool which has been established and is

maintained by ECHA to ensure that requirements under the PIC Regulation are supported by appropriate IT systems. ePIC has three independent interfaces, one dedicated to industry users, one to authority users (ECHA, DNAs and the Commission) and one for

customs officers. It allows information to be securely exchanged between industry users, authority users and customs users.

ECHA Five Chemicals Added, One Updated on Candidate List

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ECHA has added five hazardous chemicals to the Candidate List and updated an entry, per an <u>announcement</u> shared last week. Two newly added substances

(octamethyltrisiloxane and perfluamine) are very persistent and very bioaccumulative. They are used in the manufacture of washing and cleaning products and in the manufacture of electrical, electronic and optical equipment.

Two substances have persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic properties. O,O,O-triphenyl phosphorothioate is used in lubricants and greases. The reaction mass of: triphenylthiophosphate and tertiary butylated phenyl derivatives is not registered under REACH. It was, however, identified as an SVHC to prevent regrettable substitution.

6-[(C10-C13)-alkyl-(branched, unsaturated)-2,5-dioxopyrrolidin-1-yl]hexanoic acid is toxic for reproduction and used in lubricants, greases and metal working fluids.

Tris(4-nonylphenyl, branched and linear) phosphite has endocrine disrupting properties affecting the environment and is used in polymers, adhesives, sealants and coatings. The entry for this substance is updated to reflect that it is an endocrine disrupter to the environment both due to its intrinsic properties and when it contains \geq 0.1% w/w of 4-nonylphenol, branched and linear (4-NP).



REGULATORY ECHA Updates

ECHA Updates

Additional updates from ECHA during December and January include:

Revised rules for classification, labelling and packaging enter into force starting December 10, 2024.

CLP revision defines new role for distributors in poison centre notifications. The recently revised Classification, Labelling, and Packaging (CLP) Regulation clarifies the responsibilities of duty holders related to notifications of hazardous mixtures to poison centres.



Consultation on harmonised classification and labelling

ECHA is looking for comments on the harmonised classification and labelling (CLH) proposal for:

• [4-[p,p'-bis(dimethylamino)benzhydrylidene]cyclohexa-2,5-dien-1-ylidene]dimethylammonium m-[[p-anilinophenyl]azo] benzenesulphonate (EC 265-449-9, CAS 65113-55-5)..

Comment period closes February 7, 2025.

Occupational Exposure Limits Consultations ECHA is seeking comments on the scientific report for occupational exposure limits on Ethylene dibromide (EDB) or 1,2-Dibromoethane. Have your say until 13 February 2025.

A consultation for N-(Hydroxymethyl)acrylamide is open until March 17, 2025.

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On the same announcement of <u>Intentions</u> and proposals, ECHA notes the following have been submitted for:

- tris[2-chloro-1-(chloromethyl)ethyl] phosphate (EC 237-159 -2, CAS 13674-87-8);
- Reaction mass of geraniol and nerol; Reaction mass of (2E)-3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dien-1-ol and (2Z)-3,7dimethylocta-2,6-dien-1-ol (EC 906-125-5*, CAS -);
- Nerol (EC 203-378-7, CAS 106-25-2);
- N,N'-(methylenedi-p-phenylene)bis(aziridine-1-carboxamide); N,N'-[methylenedi(4,1-phenylene)]di (aziridine-1-carboxamide) (EC 231-034-6, CAS 7417-99-4);
- tralopyril (ISO); 4-bromo-2-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile (EC -, CAS 122454-29-9); and
- hexythiazox (ISO); trans-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-N-cyclohexyl-4
 -methyl-2-oxo-3- thiazolidine-carboxamide (EC -, CAS
 78587-05-0).

Proposals have been submitted for:

- (tert-butoxymethyl)oxirane (EC 231-640-0; CAS 7665-72-7) including also (isobutoxymethyl)oxirane (EC 223-303-1, CAS 3814-55-9);
- butyl glycidyl ether; butyl 2,3-epoxypropyl ether (EC 219-376-4, CAS 2426-08-6);
- allyl glycidyl ether; allyl 2,3-epoxypropyl ether; prop-2-en-1
 -yl 2,3-epoxypropyl ether (EC 203-442-4, CAS 106-92-3);
- 5-methylhexan-2-one (EC 203-737-8, CAS 110-12-3; and
- trimagnesium diphosphide; magnesium phosphide (EC 235-023-7, CAS 12057-74-8).

^{*&}lt;u>List number</u>, assigned by ECHA, is exceptionally given to help find this substance in the Registry of Intentions.

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Alliance Spotlight: NIOSH eNews

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Alliance Spotlight: NIOSH eNews

Did you know that NIOSH has a monthly newsletter available online? eNews is a fantastic resource that shares updates on best practices and research impacting safety in the workplace. They published their January eNews covering topics, such as:



- "Neither Snow nor Rain nor Heat nor Gloom of Night... Protecting Workers From the Cold",
- "Multiple Job Holding, Job Changes, and Associations With Gestational Diabetes and Pregnancy-related Hypertension in the National Birth Defects Prevention Study",
- "Working Hours, Shift, and Remote Work by Industry and Occupation in U.S. Full-time Workers",
- Information for Employers and Workers About H5N1 Bird Flu, with links to the CDC's Hazard Assessment Worksheet. toolboxes, posters and other resources.
- Updated NIOSH List of Hazardous Drugs in Healthcare Settings, and
- Federal Register Notices, Fact Sheet releases, and more.







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